



# NEW COMMUNITY

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## Summer Youth Jobs Made Available By New Community

Each summer, in order to give young people an opportunity to gain valuable work experience, New Community makes available jobs for them within its own organization. This year a total of twenty (20) jobs have been provided by NCC. Of this total ten (10) are supervised by NCC employees while being paid by the city of Newark through its Summer Youth Employment Training Program (SYETP). Ten (10) students not eligible under the city program are employed and paid directly by New Community.

The jobs are meant to allow the youths an opportunity to learn new areas of work and get a feeling for responsibility as well. Those employed are closely supervised and encouraged by other New Community employees, and are held accountable for their assignments.

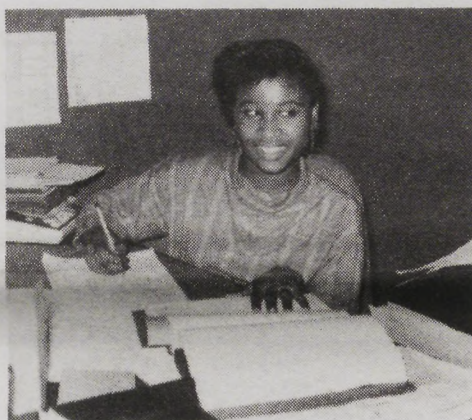
Their salaries allow a feeling of independence and pride of accomplishment.

Four typical student employees this year are Heslin Grant, Felicia Rogers, John Richards and Dorothy Williams.

Two summers ago Heslin Grant came to New Community as part of the Summer Youth Program sponsored by the City of Newark. Her work so impressed her supervisors that she was asked to continue working part time for New Community after school once September arrived. This summer New Community put her on its payroll as quickly as she was available, because of her fine record.

Heslin's job as clerical aide in the accounting department finds her familiarizing herself with the accounting file system and accounting work in general. The experience she has gained has indicated to her an ability in accounting which she plans to pursue when she finishes her senior year at Vailsburg High School this year. She has looked into Rutgers and Montclair State College and would like to keep on working for New Community while she attends the college of her choice.

"I like working for New Community," she told us with a smile, "that's



Heslin Grant.

why I came back a second summer and am still here. I feel quite at home."

She readily admits that New Community keeps a close eye on her schoolwork; report cards are checked carefully to make sure work is not interfering. The personal attention is something Heslin appreciates.

At Vailsburg High she is a



NC summer youth employees Cavin White, Gabe Frazier and Tyrone Singleton put finishing touches on planting of young tree as part of maintenance beautification project while maintenance man George Kearney, second from right, looks on.

member of the Business Club and received a certificate for competing in the Business Olympics there.

Heslin came to Newark 10 years ago from Guyana where she was born, and lives here with her mother and father, two sisters and a brother.

Felicia Rogers can also be found in the main office of New Community this summer helping receptionist Georgella Wyne. Answering the phone will help her learn to be poised under different situations and she will be responsible for delivering messages accurately. Sorting mail, filing and using the various office machines will give her a feel for the everyday running of a complex modern business. Felicia also began at New Community in 1980 and 1982 through the city program.

In the fall Ms. Rogers will be a sophomore at Essex County College where she is studying business administration. She will use the money earned this summer for her college courses.

According to Felicia "everyone keeps pushing me, talking about later on needing all the things I can get in college." This encouragement keeps her going.

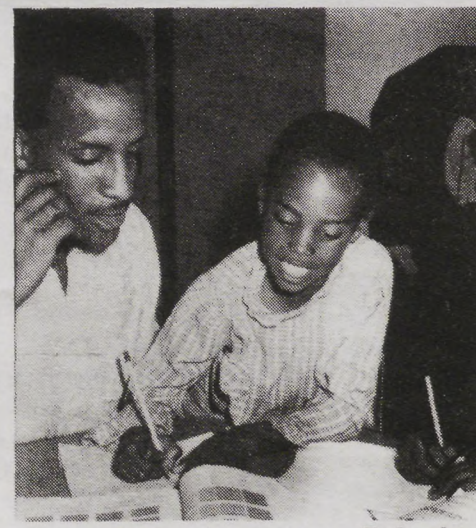
Felicia was born and raised in Newark and is a graduate of Central High School. She likes to bowl, enjoys amusement parks and is an accomplished seamstress, proudly fashioning many of her own clothes.

A journey down to the heart of the New Community complex finds

John Richards sitting amidst a serious group of 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders. They are concentrating on workbooks containing math problems.

It is John's responsibility to supervise two other young people, and together they will guide the children through their day. Breakfast begins the New Community Summer Program, where he is employed. Then, using workbooks and other tools, the children are tutored in their times tables, or other important skills which they should have mastered but are finding difficult. By using the summer to strengthen academic skills the children will have a better

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John Richards tutors Rekeeba Clemons at the NC Social Services Summer Program.



Worker prepares frame for new stained glass on front window at St. Joseph Plaza. Work is rapidly being completed.



## CREDIT UNION ORGANIZER CHOSEN

The appointment of Marie C. Damestoir as a Credit Union Organizer was announced recently by New Community Corporation.

In her new position she will supervise the overall administration of the New Community Credit Union now under development.

Prior to joining NCC she served for 3 years as Manager of Elaine Powers Fitness Club. During that time, the results of her efforts were a 45 percent increase in number of customers and a 150 percent growth

in profitable sales.

Marie attended Irvington High School and Rutgers University, Newark, N.J.

Ms. Damestoir believes that a Credit Union is necessary to our area because of high interest rates charged by finance companies; disinvestment by local banks, and the banks' practice of not making small loans (i.e., less than \$1,000.00).

She will be working hard to make the New Community Corporation Credit Union an outstanding one.



Marie Damestoir new Credit Union Coordinator displays literature for NCC Credit Union.

## New Community Credit Union Becoming A Reality

We are planning to organize a Credit Union. We ask just a moment of your time.

Credit Unions are not new or unusual. The first was organized early in the 1900's. There are over 650 presently in operation within New Jersey. Credit Unions serve industry, churches, fraternal organizations, labor unions, teachers, governmental employees, and many other groups.

Credit Unions are a cooperative association organized to promote thrift among members and to accumulate funds from these savings to make needed loans to members for useful purposes at reasonable interest rates.

Credit Unions are owned and operated by their members and are chartered by the Government. Operation of the Credit Union is the responsibility of a volunteer Board of Directors, Credit Committee and Supervisory Committee.

Savings may be withdrawn at any time and loans are made in short order. The earnings of the Credit Union are returned to the member in the form of dividends.

WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE INTERESTED IN STARTING A CREDIT UNION. The chartering of a new Credit Union requires a determination of the economic feasibility by the National Credit Union Administration. This will be greatly influenced by the number of interested persons that are willing to indicate their support by filling out this statement.

To the Credit Union Committee:

- ☐ Organizing a Credit Union for our group sounds good to me. Please count me in as a prospective member. To insure the Credit Union gets off to a favorable start I intend to immediately deposit \$\_\_\_\_\_ and will make monthly deposits of \$\_\_\_\_\_ in my share account.
- ☐ I would be willing to serve as a volunteer officer of the Credit Union.

NAME (Please Print)

Please return this form to:

THE CREDIT UNION COMMITTEE  
Marie Damestoir 399-3400  
New Community Credit Union Department  
755 South Orange Ave.  
Newark, New Jersey 07106

...for a credit union poll

## Thomas Massaro to Assist New Community

Mr. Thomas H. Massaro will act as a consultant to New Community in the areas of economic development and job creation, it was announced recently.

For the past three years Mr. Massaro has served as President of Ventures in Neighborhood Enterprise (VINE), a nonprofit organization dedicated to the stimulation, support, finance and management of economic development ventures in urban areas.

Mr. Massaro is an honors graduate of St. Anselm's College in Manchester, New Hampshire where he majored in urban affairs. After graduation, he undertook his graduate professional education in city planning, law and public management at the Harvard Graduate School of Design, the Harvard Law School and the J.F. Kennedy School of Government.

Prior to the time spent with VINE he spent six years as Director of Housing and Community Development and as City Development Administrator for the Cities of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and Newark, New Jersey.

In 1973-75, Mr. Massaro worked as a management consultant in construction/development with Arthur D. Little, Inc. in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Prior to that he worked as a research associate at the Harvard Law School in property law and land use development.

## Francis Thomas Joins NC Management Team

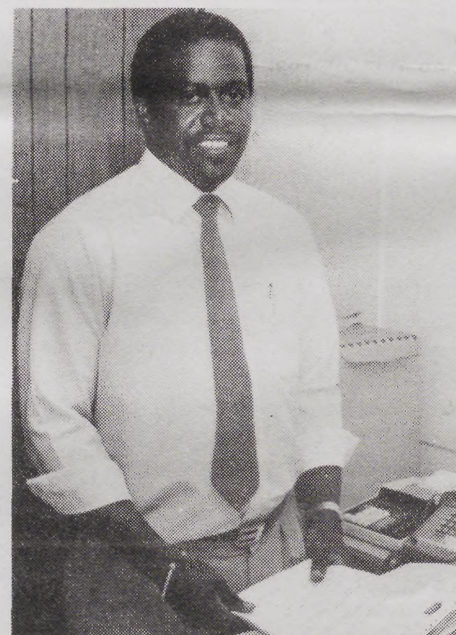
A recent addition to the NCC Management Group is Mr. Francis Thomas. He is presently working at the Douglass-Harrison complex.

Thomas brings to the job the experience gained by his previous employment as district manager of the National Corporation for Housing Partnerships in Washington, D.C. and Housing Management Officer for the New Jersey Housing Finance Agency in Trenton.

Mr. Thomas has a B.A. in Sociology from Trenton State College and is a candidate for a master's degree in Student Personnel Services and Counseling. The communication skills he has learned, he feels, will help in keeping open the doors of understanding between management and tenants at Douglass-Harrison.

New Community is in the process of updating repairs on the Douglass-Harrison complex and as with any situation which has taken time to develop, the renovations and repairs are also accomplished gradually.

Systematizing the work orders and explaining to tenants what is being done will be part of Francis' job. "I'm a people person," he said and as such he hopes to clarify both the expectations of New Community and of the tenants so that the relationship between them will be a positive one.



Francis Thomas

## Employment Center Proposed For New Community

To help match those seeking jobs with potential employers, a New Community Employment Center is being planned. It will be a non-profit employment agency to help the people of Newark gain the satisfaction that permanent employment can bring.

The center will serve not only those who lack employment, but those who are now qualified for better jobs and would like a vehicle to find them.

Help will be given to prepare a person for their all-important job interview.

The only requirement asked will be that they have made a personal commitment to get a job. It must be an important enough priority in their lives that they will be willing to invest the time and effort necessary for their future. The employment counselor will be making the same investment along with them.

The center will be located at NC Douglas, 15 Hill Street, right across Broad St. from Newark City Hall. A charge will only be assessed if a job is accepted.

More on the proposed Employment Center will be coming.

## THE NEW COMMUNITY CLARION

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## NEW COMMUNITY BRINGS THE AMERICAN DREAM BACK TO NEWARK

"Quae est domestica sede incunior?" asked Marcus Cicero two thousand years ago. "What is more agreeable than one's home?"

"Home!" Is there a more emotion filled, value-laden word in the English language? Is there another word which so readily conjures up images of love, warmth and safety?

In the United States, the idea of owning one's home is a major element of the constellation of goals and hopes which we call "the American dream." We see home ownership as a source of pride, financial security, freedom and privacy. The single-family, owner-occupied home is viewed as the foundation block upon which neighborhood, town and nation rest.

For a large segment of the American people, the dream of home ownership has already come true. Today, however, it is becoming harder and harder to attain that goal. In May of this year, the average sales price of a new, single-family home in the United States topped the \$100,000 mark for the first time in history. At prices like this, the average-income American family cannot afford to own the average-priced home.

The City of Newark has been especially hard-hit by this national problem. The home ownership component of the American dream has been out of reach for moderate income residents of this City for two decades now. A deadly combination of spiraling costs, interest rates and real estate taxes together with family incomes which can't keep pace with inflation has managed to pull the plug on the American dream in Newark.

New Community has been working on a plan to plug the dream back in. Together with the City of Newark and the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency, we are bringing the American dream back to Newark.

NCC is working on the development of a fifty-two (52) unit residen-

tial condominium townhouse development to be located on a site adjacent to our primary redevelopment area in Newark's Central Ward.

The proposed project, to be known as **New Community Estates**, will consist of twenty-six (26) two-bedroom units and twenty-six (26) three-bedroom units. The units will be two-story attached townhouses with living space on the first floor and bedrooms on the second floor.

The units will sell for an average price of approximately \$42,500.00.

Permanent mortgage money at 11% for 30 years will be available for qualified buyers.

The average down payment and closing costs will be approximately six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00).

The average monthly carrying costs (mortgage payment, real estate taxes, insurance and common area charges) will be approximately \$525.00. This figure does not include utility costs which will also have to be paid by each owner.

A minimum annual gross income of approximately \$22,000.00 will be necessary to qualify for the mortgage loan.

NCC wishes to compile a list of families and individuals who might be interested in purchasing one of these townhouses. If you are interested, WRITE to:

Condominium Townhouses  
c/o New Community Corporation  
755 South Orange Avenue  
Newark, New Jersey 07106

Your letter should include the following information:

1. Name
2. Address
3. Telephone number (where you can be reached during the day)
4. Number of family members
5. Employer
6. 1983 gross income

All information will be kept strictly confidential. (NOTE: This is not an offering which can be made only by a Public Offering Statement which is not yet available).

## Clarion Gets New Photographer

With this issue of the N.C. Clarion, pictures by Harrison Green will be looking up at readers.

Mr. Green was born and raised in



Harrison Green

Newark. He attended Barringer High School and Essex County College, where he was Photo-Editor of the student newspaper and president of the Photo Club. While there he also gained experience as an Audio Visual Technician in the Television Studio.

His career led him to Manhattan where he was staff photographer and photo lab technician for Images Press Service. He also engaged in commercial and architectural photography on a free lance basis.

Some of his photos have been published in Billboard Magazine and he is especially proud of a photograph he took of Beverly Johnson which was published in Cue magazine.

Mr. Green's two year tour of duty with the Navy ended in May and he is most anxious to get back to his photographic career.

## National Council of Negro Women Names NCC Resident Woman of The Year

On Saturday, June 16, 1984, one of NCC's very active residents, Mrs. Viola Walker, was recognized by the National Council of Negro Women as "Woman of The Year." This special event took place at the Mayfair Farms, West Orange, N.J. Members of the 140 Club were present, and she was surrounded by her two children, grandchildren, and a host of friends.

Mrs. Viola Walker has been a resident of Newark all her life. Graduated from West Side High, she attended many institutions of higher learning thru Metropolitan Baptist Church, of which she is an active member and Tri-City People Corp where she retired from with High Honors. She is now a Faithful and Loyal Worker as a Care Taker at Babyland III.

She is Second Vice President of NCNW, Newark Section; Second Vice President of the General Missionary Society for many years until last year; First Vice President of Circle Six Mission; Past Assistant Superintendent of Sunday School; Taught Bible School every year; Recording Secretary of 140 Club, NCC Seniors; Recording Secretary of Tenants Association 140 Building New Community Commons; Executive Board of NCC; District Leader of West Ward.

Her love and understanding for people made us consider her for



Mrs. Viola Walker

this award. Whenever someone is in need she is there with a smile, money, time and encouraging words like "you can do it," and gives you a push.

She has one daughter, three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Viola is a hard working person who never sits still. She is a Christian and firm believer, "If ye have Faith like a mustard seed nothing is impossible."

Matt 13:31

## Newark Public Library News

The Newark Public Library will present a series of films for teenagers at 2:30 p.m. in the main library auditorium.

The series will present **Clarence and Angel** on August 7, **Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman** on August 14, **Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry** on August 21 and **Brian's Song** on August 28. All films will be on Tuesday afternoons.

"Even though we are billing this as a Teen Series, the films are appropriate for people of all ages," said Wilma Grey, Young Adult Librarian. Ms. Grey, along with Black Studies Librarian James Brown, organized the film program.

The schedule for the Summer is as follows:

August 7—**Clarence and Angel**—This humorous and moving story is about two boys in a Harlem grade school, the world around them and the unexpected process by which they meet. The film also looks at the frustration many youngsters experience in our school system. The film is 75 minutes in length.

August 14—**The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman**—This story traces Pittman's life from her days as a slave in the 1860's to her 110th birthday. The film is based on a 1971 novel by Ernest Gaines and contains the brilliant acting performance of Cicely Tyson. The film is 110 minutes in length.

August 21—**Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry**—This film looks at a black

family in the south and its struggle to resist efforts by whites to take away their land. Produced in 1978, this film is based on the novel by Mildred Taylor. The film is 110 minutes in length.

August 28—**Brian's Song**—This inspiring story is about the special friendship between two football players, Gale Sayers and Brian Piccolo. Produced in 1972, this movie features Billy Dee Williams and James Caan in a true story. Brian's Song is 74 minutes long.

The film series is offered free of charge to the general public. The library auditorium is located on the 4th floor of the Main Library and is fully air-conditioned. All films begin at 2:30 p.m.

The Newark Public Library is located at 5 Washington Street in downtown Newark. For more information, call (201) 733-7800.

## THE DOUGLAS

The Douglas Tenants Association sponsored a Father's Day Recognition. Mr. Everett Campbell and Mr. Robert Young the oldest fathers in the building were the honorees, their family and friends were invited as was the building.

A lovely collation was prepared by Mrs. Mabel Kearney, Chairperson of the Social Committee.

It was a happy occasion.

Have a Happy Vacation.

Alma Hanks



## SUMMER PROGRAM MAKES STRIDES IN ITS GOALS

A few weeks ago the Babyland Summer Enrichment program began with about sixty-five youngsters aged 5 to 13 years. These youngsters brought motivation, excitement and strength to the program. It was a great pleasure for them to have the opportunity of being in this kind of program, where they could exchange their culture, ideas and viewpoints by visiting different places in the neighboring areas. One of the first goals of the program was to make sure all children have exposure to the environment in which they live, and an awareness of the way society

At the present time children have been introduced to basic understanding of the operations and applications of computers, and they now can operate the machine without much assistance from their instructor, who has tried to eliminate the fears and any negative attitude developing around com-



Mr. G. Musilu instructs children in Babyland Summer Enrichment Program in basic knowledge of computers.

operates, so that they may become more productive and effective in our society. This goal already has been implemented.

All sixty youngsters have made several visits to West Wind Riding Academy in Pompton Plains, where they gently received training on how to saddle and ride horses. On the first trail, a few children were afraid of the horses, the reason being that they might not have seen a live horse before, except in the movies or T.V. Since some children were being adventurous, they overcame their fears and got on the horses. This encouraged the rest of the children, and as a result everyone can now ride a horse.

It is most exciting and heartwarming to see how these children have developed a real enjoyment of riding and have become quite skilled in their operation of the horses, as they go through the wooded trails available, breaking into trots at times under the direction of the West Wind instructors. Their excitement shows on their faces and the spirited laughter during the trail rides. More lessons on horseback riding have been planned in order to give children many chances to increase their confidence.

When we get back from horseback riding children can also have fun at the main site - St. Rose of Lima. There children can turn on the computer terminals and apply the principles and concepts they have already learned. We are devoting more time to computer lessons in order to meet our objectives of bringing these youngsters into the computer revolution and altering the way they think, work and play. This objective too is well under way as a talk to the youngsters would indicate.

puters. This has been done by demonstrating to the children through hands-on experience that a computer is easy and simple to use and that it is a very powerful tool, that can make them more effective in our society. Their instructor has also tried to build self-confidence in these children by providing assignments that they could do themselves with the computer.

As part of learning we have introduced some packages of computer games like Tic Tac Show and Game Show. These two packages consist of math, spelling, science, body system, capital-cities, problem solving etc.

Now, each child can sit in the terminal, receive information, transform the information into machine language and then give the output (answer of the informations). We have planned in such a way that each child will have a chance to do their own problems in the computer. Some of the children have shown great interest. As a result of their capabilities with the computer, they have been assigned responsibilities of directing and assisting other children in their group. The older group has been assigned to Michelle Ransome, while the younger group has been assigned to Erika Smith. In the remaining days of the program it has been planned to broaden children for continuing education in computer related career fields and prepare them to meet challenges in their futures.

Looking further no summer program would be complete without trips to the zoo, museums and Hayden Planetarium for the two shows - Starquest and The Skies of Summer. Most of these trips have been scheduled for the next few weeks. The week of July 18th,

children will have had a chance to visit Staten Island Zoo, while another group will be seeing Melvin Magic Show at Papermill Playhouse, Millburn.

In addition, every child will be taught how to swim, since many people in our society enjoy beaches and water oriented activities. It has been arranged for the children to receive swimming lessons at the "Y" in Orange, where they will be going weekly. During the swimming periods, the children are broken down into small groups according to their ages, and ability to swim. Beginners are taught how to swim by qualified Red Cross Life-saving Instructors. The swimming lessons will continue on a weekly basis until August 31st. By that time all children are expected to have learned how to swim.

A lot of activities have been planned for the month of August, where children will have time to visit parks, amusements parks, plays and shows in New York and New Jersey.

G. Musilu  
Program Coordinator

## NC Gardens Towers Proud of 'Home Beautiful'

Pride in what you do is very important! Our superintendent Mr. Levern Paige and assistant Kim Wilcher, find great joy in doing a job well. Each day our beautiful garden around our home is taken care of, weeded and watered when needed.

Our halls and stairwells are spotless. It's not an easy job but with everyone pitching in and doing their part, it makes the work easier on everyone.

Many people come and go daily at Gardens. We have a lot of visitors. And having our Health Care Center in the building adds to the traffic. We are never ashamed of having visitors, and thanks to these fine gentlemen we are proud of our home.

Welcome and thank you for making Gardens "Home Beautiful"!

## New Community Associates

On June 29th the time had arrived for those having birthdays in the months of April, May and June to celebrate. The senior citizens supplied the ice cream and cake, while those celebrating brought dishes to please their palates. Most of the celebrants had invited some of their family and friends, and a good time was had by those attending. Those who will be having birthdays in the next three months are looking forward to their time coming in September.

Maude Jones and Beatrice Atkins along with friend Walter Cheeks attended the National Council of Senior Citizens in Philadelphia on June 28th. The day proved to be both productive and informative to them. Literature was brought back to the Senior Citizen Organization.

We appreciate the activities provided for us by the Social Services Department. More tenants should participate in these activities; it's likely they would be benefited and enjoy some of them.

There is still room for you who want to become involved in the clubs or organizations in the building. We need you. Won't you come and join us? There's a place just for you. We look forward to seeing you.

Phyllis Burton



## NEWARK MUSEUM SUMMER GARDEN Free Outdoor Concerts & Events

Tuesday: A Potpourri		Wednesday: Science Programs, Planetarium Shows, Lectures and Children's Black Film Festival		Thursday: Noonhour Concerts in the Garden (Court if rain)		Friday: Children's Live Theatre and Planetarium Shows	
<b>31</b>	12:15 Gallery Talk: <i>Hours de Toulouse-Lautrec</i> 12:30 Craft Demonstration: <i>Painting On Fabric</i> 1:30 Family Films	<b>AUGUST 1</b>	12:15 <i>Siesta*</i> 12:30 Talk: ESP. Psychic Dorothy Allison 3:00 <i>Moonlight Serenade*</i> 7:30 Black Film Festival (NJIT)	<b>2</b>	12:30 <i>Buddy Terry and the Aquarius Funk Machine</i> . Jazz and Rock	<b>3</b>	12:00 View the Sun 12:15 <i>Moonlight Serenade*</i> 1:30 Performance: <i>Magician Phillip Jennings</i> 2:30 <i>Stars of Summer*</i>
<b>7</b>	12:15 Gallery Talk: <i>Giorgio de Chirico</i> 12:30 Jazz Concert: <i>Andy and Ronnell Bey</i> 1:30 Family Films	<b>8</b>	12:15 <i>Siesta*</i> 12:30 Lecture/Film: <i>Beekeeping</i> 3:00 <i>Moonlight Serenade*</i>	<b>9</b>	12:30 <i>Larry Todd and the Essex Brass Ensemble</i>	<b>10</b>	12:00 View the Sun 12:15 <i>Moonlight Serenade*</i> 1:30 Musical Performance: <i>The Universal Language</i> 2:30 <i>Stars of Summer*</i>
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\* Public Planetarium Programs Admission 75¢



# SUMMER YOUTH JOBS

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chance to hold their own in school when they return in September. The summer program will keep these newly learned areas from falling into disuse and being forgotten, according to John. He feels that when a person does not work during the summer at some form of learning, it sets the mind back.

Twice a week John accompanies the children on trips, but the organized academic program is where he places most emphasis. Each day after lunch there is time for recreation.

John is a graduate of Stanstead College in Canada (High School level) adding seriously, "Society is prejudiced against those that lack education." He feels if you stop the educational cycle "you are caught, and can't break out."

It is his goal to raise the thinking of those he comes in contact with in his summer counselor job.

**Dorothy Williams** also supervises two other young people in the New Community Summer Program. Once she finds out what each child needs she will try to concentrate on strengthening that particular area. Her group will be first grade level and recreation will be interspersed with math and reading especially, to build up the youngster's confidence in these necessary foundation areas.

Dorothy graduated from Central High School in Newark this year and as a student loved algebra, chemistry and English. She is a resident of New Community Homes.

Her salary will help to pay her way through Fairleigh Dickenson-Madison campus - where she will study for a B.S. in nursing at night, come Fall.

When asked why she chose nursing she told me, "nobody in the family has ever been a professional nurse. I want to be the first one." She lives with her Mother, two brothers and a sister.

In 1980 and 1983 she worked as a teacher's aide at the New Community Pavilion through the city program. This year she is working directly for New Community.

When I asked her how she felt about the work she is doing during the summer, and her work for New Community she told me proudly, "I like it a lot; it makes me feel important."



Dorothy Williams

Handling a little different type summer job for New Community is **Dwayne Jenkins**, who has been assigned to N.C. Maintenance. When we arrived at his worksite he was involved in the ongoing beautification program of New Community and had just finished helping plant some rhododendron bushes and flowering crabapple trees. He knows how to prepare the ground, how deep each plant or tree should go, and how to care for them after planting, such as using a "sealer" on the rhododendrons.

Dwayne is 15 years old and is in the 10th grade at Irvington Tech High School. This is his first summer job.

Rodney West a regular maintenance employee was supervising him and teaching along the way.

A quiet young man, Dwayne took the job because he felt that to just hang around all summer "would be



Dwayne Jenkins.



Felicia Rogers

boring." He would rather learn new things. Soon he will learn how to plant sod and care for it.

He likes the idea of working outdoors, and when asked what he would do with the money he earned, he answered quickly, "put it away for school."

New Community feels ambitious young people such as these should be encouraged in their willingness and desire to work, and in furthering their education, and will continue to make as many jobs as possible available to these young people.



**JUSTIFIABLY PROUD.** Dorothy Curry with granddaughter, Emma Dudley and Sarah Mayse, president of NC Douglas Garden Club, admire beautiful flowers surrounding them at NC Manor. Residents enjoy their oasis of beauty in the heart of the city.

## BEAUTIFICATION PLANTING CONTINUES

New Community Maintenance is continuing to plant Trees and Shrubs as part of the New Community beautification program. This year we are taking delivery of over 1000 items for planting including Dogwoods, Crab Apple, Maples, Sycamores, Azaleas, Rhodas, Junipers, Lindens, Flowering Cherries, and many others.

In a major change from previous years, this year we will do the planting, staking, wrapping, and mulch beds with New Community Employees and equipment. By doing all of the work ourselves, we can

provide summer employment and stretch the budget to purchase more of these beautiful trees and shrubs. By combining equipment purchases and experience, we have been able to take the landscaping and planting function from the list of contractor's functions, and add it to the list of items done by the people of the community.

It is our goal to bring as many traditionally contractor performed functions back to the community as possible.

Richard Rohrman

## The Anti-Crime Corner

### Douglass-Harrison Gets Crime Survey

On July 10th an eight (8) page questionnaire was sent out to four hundred and twelve Douglass-Harrison residents. This survey is being conducted in order to determine the level of crime and the fear of crime in our community. The survey has started to come back and after all questionnaires are received we will begin to approach the areas that the residents expressed as their primary concern. already the A&P and Park areas are two major areas of concern. This will probably require residents sitting down at some point with city officials in order to correct some of these problems. The fear level is mostly around the senior populations as they are the most vulnerable. We will address the problem from the senior citizens' perspective since the major population of Douglass-Harrison consists of residents who have lived



Georgia Ransome

in the community from 19 to 49 years. Upon completion of the survey it is hoped to bring in several programs to assist the seniors in their day-to-day lives.



# AT YOUR (SOCIAL) SERVICE

by the Staff of NCC Social Services Department

At New Community, the 4th of July not only signals the beginning of summer, but also ushers in a variety of summer time activities for younger and older alike.

In this column we have attempted to describe some of the activities that have taken place, that are now taking place and that will be taking place during the next month here at NCC.

If you have any questions or suggestions please call us at 623-6114.

## Senior Summer Activities

In July there was an overwhelming response to our bus trip to Shea Stadium. On Wednesday, July 25, 1984, close to 75 senior residents attended the baseball game between the New York Mets and the St. Louis Cardinals. Each year the stadium reserves two or three days during the baseball season for Senior Citizens, at a low, low cost of only 75 cents per/person. Due to the great demand, we are planning to offer another bus trip to Shea Stadium for their next Senior Citizens Day which will take place on Thursday, September 13th. Our policy once again will be "first come, first served." However, persons who did not get an opportunity to attend the last baseball game will be given first priority. Those wishing to reserve a seat, must sign up in their building or see their respective social worker, by the end of the second week in August.

With the extremely hot & humid weather we've all experienced over the past month, efforts have been made to include in our monthly schedule more bus outings to state and county parks. In July the seniors were taken to Verona and Liberty State Park for picnics and fishing. Many of them were able to go out to the farm near Chester, N.J. to pick their own fresh vegetables, and to purchase the same at a reduced cost, compared to what they normally would pay at the local supermarkets. Trips for August include a trip to Sandy Hook Beach, and a cruise up the Hudson on the "Circle Line."

As they did last year, this summer's activities will include (in each building) a series of "mini-musical concerts" to be arranged and perform-

ed by the very gifted and talented Mr. Curtis Watkins, who is also the minister of music at St. Rose of Lima Church. Mr. Watkins will be assisted by our own Mrs. Gloria Newsome, also a gifted musician and professional gospel singer. Please check your monthly schedule for the date and times of each performance. You certainly don't want to miss this great "musical treat."

## Swim Therapy Program

Each building was afforded an opportunity to go down to the Newark Y.M.C.A. for a one-hour orientation of an exciting new program referred to as "Swim Therapy." Swim Therapy is a therapeutic program of warm water exercises for people with arthritis. Under the supervision of a registered Physical Therapist or Recreational Handicapped Swim Instructor, participants have the opportunity to increase their range of motion and improve their strength and endurance. In addition, the program provides a relaxed atmosphere for socialization and enhanced self-image. People with arthritis, with the written approval of their doctors, may attend the 45-minute weekly sessions. The cost for each session will largely depend upon the number of participants. Every effort will be made to keep the cost as low as possible, so as to make it affordable for our senior and disabled residents. For more information please contact the NCC Social Services Department at 623-6114.

Gloria Newsome

## Alzheimer's Disease Meeting

An Essex County Alzheimer's Disease Support Network Meeting is being jointly sponsored by Tri-City Peoples Corporation, Essex County Division on Aging and Newark Beth Israel Hospital.

The third meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 15th from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Newark Beth Israel Hospital, G Wing Lounge, 201 Lyons Avenue, Newark.

The program will include "Someone I Once Knew," a video cassette film describing Alzheimer's Disease followed by an open discussion lead by Dr. Gabriell Troiano, Psychiatrist, Beth Israel Hospital.

This meeting will provide information to families and caregivers about Alzheimer's Disease. Alzheimer's Disease is a terminal brain disease of unknown origin that can take 15 years or more to run its course. It is the fourth leading cause of death in the U.S.A. affecting between two and four million people nationwide. Currently it costs \$26 billion every year. There is no treatment and no cure.

The meeting is open to families, caregivers and interested persons. For further information about the meeting, please contact Maryanne Benson at 374-2633, Tri-City Peoples Corporation.

## Hayes Street Summer Youth Program Organized By Residents



Parent organizers and volunteer workers at Hayes Street Summer Youth Program stand up to be counted for their hard work. Standing: Phyllis Saunders, Willie Milton, Dorothy Page, Charlotte Peterson, Eddie Cooper and Bertha Brown, coordinator. Sitting are: Pat Brown, administrative assistant, Mae Harper and Sharon Anderson with Barbara Perry, assistant coordinator kneeling at end of row.

Residents of the "72 Club" of Manor mid-rise, Hayes Street, and the Manor Social Club, which is adjacent to Hayes Street, are running a summer program for children who are residents of that area.

The program is fully operated by parents and concerned residents, with technical assistance from NCC Social Services.

The program is geared to children between the ages of one through five. The need for such a program was expressed by the two clubs. Many of the parents of these children are on a fixed income and therefore cannot afford to take the children on a summer vacation. This program affords them an opportunity to have some outdoor activity and recreational involvement, in a safe environment. The present NCC youth program serves children beginning at age six.

Each day the children are involved in a series of carefully scheduled programs beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending at 3:30 p.m. Included in their daily activities are trips to the library, local parks and other points of interest. Also aerobics, jogging, mini-discos, swimming/sprinkler time, arts and crafts, and gardening. They also receive breakfast and lunch through the Sun-Up Program.

Some toys have been purchased with funds which were raised through a registration fee of \$3.00 per child. There are thirty-eight youngsters in the program.

Hayes Street has been closed off between 14th and 15th Avenues during the hours that the children would be playing. This allows them much more freedom to be able to play in the street safely.

There are fifteen adult volunteers who run this program. It is coordinated by Mrs. Bertha Brown, President of the "72 Club" and Mrs. Barbara Perry, President of Manor Social Club. Each day these volunteers are scheduled five per three hour shift, ensuring that adequate supervision arrives at 9:00 a.m. and works until 12:15 p.m. The afternoon shift works from 12:15 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. Intensive training and orientation has been provided by Social Services, in terms of the management of the program.

This program is a demonstration project. This site was chosen for the project based on residents' interest and willingness to run it with minimal support. Basically this is strictly a community operated effort.

VIRGINIA SCOTT



Bertha Brown recites stories for youngsters at family run Hayes Street Summer Youth Program.

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## NCC Families Start Gardening Club



Willie Milton and Ed Cooper are demonstrating gardening to youths of Hayes Street Summer Youth Program.

A community garden has been established for families. The garden site is located at Hayes Street, between 14th and 15th Avenue (next to the library). A community garden basically means that a variety of fruits and vegetables will be planted, cultivated and harvested by those community persons who are actively involved in the program.

There are approximately forty persons involved in the Garden Club including children. Some of the items planted so far have been squash, potatoes, beans, collard greens, tomatoes and peas.

The Garden Club appears to have involved a vast spectrum of intergenerational participation. One might find gardeners working ranging in age from one through eighty. The enthusiasm is great and the anticipation high.

Most of the seeds and transplants were donated by Ms. Lucy Millerand, Field Coordinator, of the Newark Urban Garden Program of Rutgers University in Newark.

Aside from the donations, Urban Gardens has been most instrumental in helping our residents realize that they too could have a green thumb. They have also provided us with a Youth Instructor, who will teach the young people to be great gardeners. Mr. Willie Milton, of 72 Hayes Street, Manor mid-rise, is the garden caretaker.

Although the garden program got started rather late, we do expect to have quite a crop. For those who didn't sign up this year perhaps next year will be good for you. The site of the garden is actually where the NCC Recreation center will be constructed.

### A Better View of You

In July each of the NCC Social Workers conducted a workshop in her respective building on "Low Vision." This workshop was supported by a slide projector and screen, and an 80-slide audio-visual presentation with accompanying cassette narration. Eye specialists from United Hospitals, and representatives from the Commission for the Blind were also available to answer any pertinent questions related to eye care.

The Low Vision program is geared specifically toward people over the age of 60 who are more likely to run a higher risk of vision disorders.

The Program Objectives were as follows:

1. To get the residents to start thinking more about their vision
2. To help them better understand vision changes, and to learn what can be done to correct any problems
3. To inform the residents of available resources of eye care specialists in the local area
4. To teach them to take their vision disorders (if any) very seriously, and learn to use their vision in daily life

Residents in attendance found the presentation most interesting and many pertinent questions were raised by the residents regarding eye and vision care.

### August Family Activities

14th & 28th — Sewing Classes - 6 p.m. at Gardens Family Pavilion, Instructor JoAnn Edwards

16th — Seminar - Police Community Relations "Preventive Crime" at Gardens Family Pavilion

7th — Trip to Long Branch (72 Hayes Street Summer Program)

15th — Family Advisory Board Meeting - 6:30 p.m. at Gardens Family Pavilion

21st — Gardening Workshop - at Hayes Street - 6 p.m.

23rd — Jazz Concert - 72 Hayes Street - 6 p.m.

20th — Theatre Club Meeting - 6:30 p.m. at Gardens Family Pavilion

### NC Manor Social Club Organized

Residents of the Hayes Street, 15th Ave. and Bedford St. Manor townhouses recently organized the "Manor Social Club." This club has been established for residents of said streets.

Officers elected are: President - Bertha Brown; Vice-Pres. - Mae Harper; Secretary - Rolanda Roberts; Treasurer - Ida Collins; Chaplain - Charlette Peterson.

The club plans to sponsor many innovative social functions that will promote community cooperation and in essence bring about a more cohesive neighborhood.

## New Jersey Transit Officials Visit New Community

Administrators from the operations planning staff of N.J. Transit Authority appeared in July at an information seminar for our residents sponsored by Social Service. Representatives included: Steve Lax, Senior Community Relations Representative; Peter Saklas, Director, Engineering & Capital programs; and William Henry, Director Procurement Project Managers, Service-Development.

The seminar was held at the NC Gardens Pavilion. It was most informative. Residents stated that for them it opened up a whole new train of thought in so far as public transportation is concerned. The representatives also felt that this session had been meaningful to them due to the fact they were able to address a lot of interesting questions that had not necessarily been raised by consumers previously. They listened attentively, took notes and in essence assured us that careful consideration would be given

to all criticisms and recommendations that have been made.

NJT has appointed two members of NCC to their community advisory board. The role of these persons will be basically to give meaningful input in terms of community concerns regarding public transportation. Steve Lax, NCC's contact person stated that he was very impressed with the significant growth of New Community. Two major concerns that were expressed by residents were adequate public transportation for residents of NC Manor Senior in the Roseville area and our proposed nursing home. Mr. Lax indicated that he and his group would be willing to discuss any concerns around this issue. We will continue to attend the advisory board meetings and give community input. Residents requested that the speakers return in the near future.

Virginia Scott

## NCC Summer Youth Program In Full Swing

As temperatures soar into the 80's and 90's and graduates march to the tune of Pomp and Circumstance, families prepare for summer vacation and youngsters for summer camp. All these serve as a signal for the start of the New Community Summer Youth Program. On July 10th, the NCC Summer Youth program began its fourth season of providing youngsters of NCC with another fun filled summer of activities and outings.

The New Community Summer Youth Program is designed to provide youngsters of New Community with a variety of educational, recreational and cultural activities. The program is open to all children of New Community ages 6 to 13 years of age. The operating hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday. There is a \$10.00 registration fee per child. This fee serves to offset the cost of the program.

The program consists of some light remedial tutoring in math and English, two meals a day, plus a program tee shirt. The participants will also spend a lot of fun filled days at

various state parks, beaches, museums and national shrines. We have already traveled to Sandy Hook Beach, where the youngsters had a tremendous time judging by their reactions and faces, as the rough waves came crashing on to the shore. This did not put a damper on the spirit of most of the youngsters, many of whom were enjoying the ocean for the first time.

Our most recent outing was to Lake Welch which is nestled in the beautiful Palisades Park in New York State. The youngsters also enjoyed this lake which has a man-made Beach. As the bus splashed its way towards the Palisades Interstate Parkway, it appeared that it would not be a very good day for an outing. However, after a downpour, the rain stopped, and the sun broke through the clouds just as the bus entered the parking lot. We had a fine day and are looking forward to more exciting outings.

Paul Reid, Jr.  
Youth Services Coordinator



Summer worker works with youngster in NCC Summer Youth Program.



## MANOR GARDEN BLOOMS



Thurman Feggins and Frank Reed at NC Manor Seniors proudly display vegetable garden.

Under the supervision and toiling hands of Mr. Frank Reed and Mr. Thurman Feggins, a vegetable garden is sprouting.

This is a welcome addition to the grounds. An area which once grew a variety of weeds and grass is now producing fine rows of lettuce, collard greens, tomatoes, cucumbers and cabbage.

Everyone is amazed at how fast the produce is growing. "Even though planting time was late, our garden seems to be catching right on up,"

remark pleased residents.

The garden, which is half the length of the fence on the Bathgate Street side, is going to expand to take up the rest of the area. These are the plans our two hard workers have been discussing.

To further add to the beauty of the grounds, flower seeds will be planted in the Fall, so that next year the entrance to Manor will be a lovely floral carpet.

Joyce Holmes



New Leadership for the "265 Club" at New Community Gardens Towers. At a recent meeting the following were elected to office. Left to right: President - Edna Davis, Treasurer - Mary Bell, Chaplain - Ruth Watson, Secretary - Geraldine Williams, Assistant Secretary - Cornelius Murphy. Absent from the above picture are Vice-President - Edgar Denson and Sgt. At Arms - Walter Finney.



NC Gardens Towers "265 Club" Announces Committee Chairpersons for 1984-85. Floor Captains President, Turner James; Political Action Coordinator, Edna Gillians; Transportation Coordinator, Turner James; Programs Coordinator, Doretha Herring; Sunshine Club Coordinator, Mary Bell; and Hospitality Coordinator, Ruth Watson.

## BABYLAND I



Graduates of Babyland I and II wait patiently for festivities to begin.

Babyland I had their first barbecue on June 15th. The children really enjoyed eating their lunch in the open atmosphere. There were plenty of hot dogs, hamburgers, corn on the cob and lots of oranges for all.

On July 18th, Babyland Nursery I held their third annual graduation. There were thirty children from Babyland I and two children that came from Babyland II that participated in the ceremony. The children wore miniature white caps and gowns, that were made by

Babyland I staff. The parents of the children seemed to enjoyed the ceremony, taking many pictures. Sister Marie Gonzales, OSP our Education Consultant gave a very inspiring closing speech for the occasion.

Some of our children who graduate from Babyland I will be able to go to Babyland III.

Supervisors and the staff wish the children a happy and successful future.

Assistant Supervisor  
Alice Wilson



Parents listen as Sr. Marie Gonzales, OSP gives words of wisdom at Babyland graduation.

## MANOR SENIORS VISIT THE ZOO

Not only the young are captivated by the zoo; it manages to hypnotize even the not-so-young.

In July, a group from Manor Senior visited Turtle Back Zoo at West Orange. It was like letting butterflies out of a net. Everyone spread out and went from aardvarks to zebras in amazement. Many had never been to a zoo before; for them this was a real treat.

Mr. Willie Barron said, "What's that thing over there? Doesn't look like anything I've seen on Orange Street, and I don't think I'd put him in my tub," while watching two otters playfully darting in and out of the water.

Mrs. Irene Bowman was thrilled by all the greenery and picked a few

souvenirs for house plants.

The big spectacle was the lovely color show by the proud peacocks who flaunted their feathers. A few of us like Mrs. Ernestine Rouse, Rachel Roberson and Angela Hicks came home toting a prize tail feather. Their secret was hunt and find.

There was a picnic luncheon to give a break for the weary, and then those who hadn't had enough set off to revisit their favorite animal.

Mrs. Angela Hicks fell in love with Brutus, a 10-year-old African Lion, while Mr. Miller and Mr. Barron hung out at the sea-lion pool.

Truly a day of monkeying around and fun for all.

"I want to come back" was the unanimous phrase.

Joyce Holmes



## Something Old! Something New!

Reading and math readiness have always been an integral part of our Babyland curriculum. Hence the picture of something old is very clear. But what is causing all of the excitement and enthusiasm among our preschoolers? Why are they so anxious to begin our nine o'clock learning lab period? The reason is none other than the **Innovative Self-Checking Manipulative Programs for Beginning Reading and Math** which have been incorporated into our curriculum.



Preschooler Corey McFadden practices alphabet sequence.

The programs include language, math and perceptual boards. Each has built-in self-correcting features which allow only the correct answers to fit. Children learn through auditory, visual and kinesthetic



Kindergartener Joi Jackson completely occupied with perception board activities.

modes. The boards are success oriented since there is an immediate response to right or wrong choice. Each program is designed to be used by individuals or small groups.

Through the use of the Language Board, children learn sequentially to identify the letters of the alphabet. The letter pieces are notched at the bottom which makes it impossible to place a letter out of sequence. Picture sound clues are screened on the board. For example, for the letter "a" the picture is *apple*, for "b" *bed* etc.

The Math Board has number pieces, 0 to 25. Due to the self-checking feature, it is impossible to place a numeral out of sequence on the board. The children recognize numbers, count, trace numeral shapes, learn the number names, sequence and understand number concepts. The board features "dots" which are screened on it to represent each numeral; e.g. 3 dots represent "3" and 6 dots the numeral "6" etc.

The Perceptual Tasks Board is an excellent diagnostic tool to identify children with perceptual problems. This board develops pre-reading and math skills. Its self-checking features teach pattern perception and awareness of reversals. Concepts of position in space, and laterality are developed through this visual perception practice. Children learn fine motor coordination and visual sequencing.

When using the boards, replacing the tiles in their holding position gives a second matching experience. The lower portion of each board has a space for a program strip and clips to hold tracing paper. Letters, numbers, and perceptual pieces are "keyed" so that only the correct piece will fit into the program of each problem strip. Tracing paper is available for the child to trace letters, words, numbers, and perceptual pieces for added reinforcement. These programs are designed for use by children ages 4 through 6.

Again, Babyland has demonstrated interest in not only *what* our children are learning, but *how* they are learning.

Sister Marie Infanta Gonzales, OSP  
Education Consultant

## Babyland II

The parents who participate in the Protective Service program have enriched their awareness by gaining valuable information through the Family Life Education Workshops. Recently offered was a presentation by Ms. Pina and Mr. Mitchell, health educators from Planned Parenthood and a lecture by Dr. Reginald A. Jenkins, a leading gynecological/obstetrical physician who spoke about women's medical issues. The speakers included a question and answer period that enabled the parents to become involved in the learning experience.

This learning experience is also applicable to the classroom where the children are encouraged to identify, learn and reproduce the basic color and number concepts. Many parents spend quality time by being in the classroom to facilitate their child's learning experience.

Upcoming summer events will include:

- 1) Graduation for two children, Candyce Payne and Martin Freire.
- 2) Workshops that will be presented to develop individual growth and maturity; enrich family life; identify appropriate community resources.
- 3) Daytime activities: a picnic for parents and children, and day outings for protective services parents. A trip to a children's zoo will also take place.

Beverly Dunn  
Social Worker/Center Supervisor

*"Real joy comes not from ease or riches or from the praise of men, but from doing something worthwhile."*  
—Sir Wilfred Grenfell



Teacher Liz Corker works with 3 year old Sidney Young in the gross motor area.



## Babyland III A Trip to the Zoo



All dressed in Babyland Tee Shirts with name-tags attached, the children at Babyland III were filled with smiles and excitement as they were taken on their first summer trip to "Turtle Back Zoo."

At the zoo the children displayed a mixture of emotions when they saw the animals. Some were so fascinated that they wanted to run up to the animals and touch them, others were just content to observe them from afar while a few were scared of some of them and began to cry.

The children had the opportunity to view a wide variety of animals which included mammals, birds, and reptiles. As caregivers and children toured the zoo, the caregivers explained some of the characteristics of the various types of animals to the children.

One of the zoo attendants also gave a short lecture on the seals which were swimming, diving and splashing in the pool. As she fed them with raw fish, she told us their names; the length of time they have been at the zoo; the amount of food they consume a day etc.

"That one is greedy," bursted out Jabez, one of the kindergartgen children, "he is eating up all the food and the other one is not getting any." Everyone was amused by his remark. The seals really seemed to hold their interest for they did not want to leave the pool. "I want to stay longer and see the seals eat more fish," said Joi, another kindergarten child.

Other favorite animals were horses which they were allowed to touch. "I wish I could ride the horses all over the zoo," said Jevon. "I love horses."

They also enjoyed looking at the monkeys as they jumped from branch to branch in their cages.

The children admired greatly the beautiful multi-colored peacocks as they trotted proudly about.

After viewing all the animals, we sat down on the benches under the shade trees and had a snack.

Everyone had a wonderful time and we are looking forward to many more summer trips.

Ruth Darlington, Teacher  
Babyland III



HOW DO I KNOW IF MY CHILD HAS A SPEECH OR LANGUAGE PROBLEM?

Nearly ten million Americans, or one out of every 20 persons, suffers from a speech or language disorder. The earlier that the problem is professionally evaluated the better the chance for successful treatment.

**SPEECH** refers to the way in which we talk. The way that we make sounds is called articulation. Examples of an articulation disorder are "Wabbit" for rabbit "Tate" for cake or "Top" for stop. Many children say sounds incorrectly, but outgrow it on their own. Just as some children walk later than others, some children develop sounds later than others. Sounds develop in a certain sequence and it is the job of the Speech-Language Pathologist to determine whether your child is following the normal sequence and will outgrow it on his own, or whether he will need speech therapy to help him correct his sounds. You should be concerned if you and others around the child frequently have difficulty understanding him because he makes so many errors. By four years of age your child should be saying most of the sounds except perhaps r,s,th,v,l and blends (st, fl). You can help your child by saying the word correctly, right after he says it incorrectly,

without calling attention to his error or making him repeat it. For example: If your child says "Top it" you can say "Stop it, you want him to stop it." In this way he will be hearing the correct production until he is ready to say it. You should only ask him to repeat when you truly do not understand him.

Stuttering is the use of hesitations, repetitions or prolongations while speaking. The child may or may not be aware that he is doing this. "Stuttering-like" symptoms frequently occur between 3-4 years of age when a child's understanding is growing faster than his ability to express himself. You can help your child by taking the time to listen, accepting some mistakes as your child learns, and not asking him to slow down or repeat.

Voice disorders in children would be heard as hoarseness that lasts for a long time. This problem should be evaluated by an Ear Nose and Throat physician who may refer you to a Speech-Language Pathologist for speech therapy.

**LANGUAGE** refers to the way we understand and use words. We must understand language before we can begin to use it. By age two your child should be able to let you know







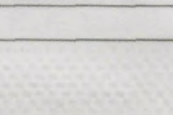
what he wants with a combination of words and gestures. He should also be able to follow directions. Language may be delayed, which means that it is coming in in a normal way, but just slowly. Language may be disordered which means that it is not following normal rules and your child will need special help in learning how to talk. A Speech-Language Pathologist can determine the difference and guide you in ways to help your child at home. He/she will also help you to locate the best school setting for your child, to further help him develop language. You can help your child by talking to him as you go through the activities of the day, and by reading books to him.

Use the handy chart to determine your child's speech and hearing age,

read each question through your child's age group and check yes or no. Add the total. If you have checked all yes, **GOOD:** your child is developing hearing, speech and language normally. If you have checked 1-3 no's, **CAUTION:** take the time to help your child and check with your pediatrician or your child's teacher to see if additional help is needed. If you have checked more than 3 no's, **ACTION:** see your pediatrician or a Speech-Language Pathologist.

Remember, the earlier that the problem is evaluated the better. If you are in doubt it is better to get an opinion from a professional. For further information, contact the Hearing and Speech Center at United Hospitals Medical Center, 268-8140.

FIND YOUR CHILD'S SPEECH AND HEARING AGE

check one	HEARING and UNDERSTANDING	CHILD'S AGE	TALKING	check one
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Does your child hear and understand most speech in the home? Does your child hear and answer when first called? Does your child hear quiet speech? Does everyone who knows your child think he/she hears well (teacher, baby-sitter, grandparent, etc.)?	 5 YEARS	Does your child say all sounds correctly except perhaps s and th? Does your child use the same sentence structure as the family? Does your child's voice sound clear, like other children's?	
	Does your child understand conversation easily? Does your child hear you when you call from another room? Does your child hear television or radio at the same loudness level as other members of the family?	 2½-4 YEARS	Does your child say most sounds, except perhaps r s th and l? Does your child sometimes repeat words in a sentence?	
	Does your child understand differences in meaning ("go-stop," "the car pushed the truck—the truck pushed the car")? Can your child point to pictures in a book upon hearing them named? Does your child notice sounds (dog barking, telephone ringing, television sound, knocking at door and so on)?	 1½-2 YEARS	Does your child use 200-300 words? Does your child use 2-3 word sentences? Does your child ask lots of "why" and "what" questions? Has your child's jargon and repeating disappeared? Does your child like to name things?	
	Can your child follow two requests ("get the ball and put it on the table")?	 9 MONTHS-1 YEAR	Does your child have 10-15 words (by age 2)? Does your child sometimes repeat requests? Does your child ask 1-2 word questions ("where kitty? go bye-bye? more?")? Does your child put 2 words together ("more cookie")?	
	Has your child begun to respond to requests ("come here," "do you want more")?	 6 MONTHS	Does your child say words (8-10 words at age 1½; 2-3 words at age 1). (Words may not be clear).	
	Does your child turn or look up when you call? Does your child search or look around when hearing new sounds? Does your child listen to people talking?	 3 MONTHS	Does your child enjoy imitating sounds? Does your child use jargon (babbling that sounds like real speech)? Does your child use voice to get attention?	
	Does your child respond to "no" and her/his name? Does your child notice and look around for the source of new sounds? Does your child turn her/his head toward the side where the sound is coming from?	 BIRTH	Does your child babble? Does your child cry differently for different needs? Does your child repeat the same sounds a lot?	
TOTAL				TOTAL

For Your Information

Diabetes: A Common Health Problem

**Do you know what diabetes is?**  
Diabetes Mellitus is a condition of the body in which full use of food, especially sugar and starches cannot be made, due to lack of insulin action.

Insulin is a natural substance which is formed by the pancreas, a gland located inside the body near the stomach. Everyone needs insulin to stay alive and well, but diabetics make too little insulin, or the insulin they make does not seem to work well. As a result of this problem too much sugar, known as glucose, forms in the blood. The next thing that happens is that excessive glucose in the blood runs out of the body through the kidney waste or urine. You may wonder why this is important. The answer is that too much sugar in the blood and urine can cause the diabetic to become sick and, if not corrected, permanent damage to the body can result.

A person with this diabetic condition can have typical symptoms or complaints such as excessive thirst, frequent urination, tiredness, hunger, loss of weight, changes in eyesight, infections and so on. These are all explained by the disturbance in body chemistry. For example, the loss of sugar from the kidneys takes water from the body, makes him thirsty and robs the diabetic of energy. He loses weight because he burns up his/her own body muscle and fat for energy. Tiredness can also result from the interruption of sleep at night from running to the bathroom to urinate and to drink water.

The chemical changes in the body may affect all the organs, including the eyeball, and this can cause blurred vision. Infections and irritation of the skin, especially near the female and male sex organs, are common because of the large amount of sugar present.

By the way, diabetes is not a new disease, in case you thought it might be. It's as old as man, but it was the ancient Romans who first took it seriously and described the condition. Even now, hundreds of years later, we do not know the real cause of diabetes. We do know that it runs in families, which means it is inherited or passed on from one generation to another. If both parents are diabetic, the chances are increased that their children may some day become diabetic. That sounds pretty serious, but diabetes usually does not appear until after age 40, in most persons; it's most common among grandparents, that is, persons aged 65 to 74. It does occur in children, but only about 5 diabetics out of 100 are under age 20.

Another cause of diabetes seems to be overweight. When doctors examine people with diabetes they find that many of them weigh 10 to 20% more than they should. The stress of extra weight on the body of a person with a strong family history of diabetes may tip the scale and diabetes may show up.

**Who gets diabetes?**  
Diabetes is one of the more common problems around the world. In our country, about ten million people have diabetes, but only half of them are diagnosed and under treatment. You ought to know that diabetes has no respect for sex, race or color. Men and women both get diabetes, although women a little more often. Blacks, Whites, Orientals, Jews, Gentiles, Eskimos all get diabetes!

**How can one recognize if he has diabetes?**  
The best way is to have regular check-ups by your personal physician and this should include tests of blood and urine for sugar. This should be done when you are feeling well, don't wait until you are sick. Of course, the typical signs and symptoms of diabetes I described earlier will tip off the individual and be perfectly obvious to his doctor. But, prevention is the best treatment so the diagnosis should be made when one is in apparent good health; then a program of control can be started and complications avoided.

The best screening test for diabetes is made by collecting a sample of blood 2 hours after a heavy meal. This is analyzed for sugar in the laboratory and, if the level is higher than normal, then diabetes is suspected. Normally, the blood sugar or glucose at the time should be below 120. If it is 130 or higher, diabetes is strongly suspected and further tests are necessary.

The best diagnostic test for diabetes is called a glucose tolerance test, which takes 3 hours to do. Here, the person fasts overnight and in the morning a sample of blood and urine are obtained. He then drinks a sweet beverage containing glucose, after which more blood and urine samples are collected at 1/2, 1, 2, and 3 hours time. These specimens are all tested in the laboratory and the results given to your physician. If they are high, the diagnosis of diabetes is made.

Courtesy of American Diabetes Association



## Patients Have Rights

As a patient you have rights...

New Community Health Care Center is an extension of United Hospitals Medical Center. The care you receive in the hospital is subject to rules and regulations enforced by the local, state and federal government. These same rules govern your care at the Health Center.

On February 6, 1973, the House of Delegates of the American Hospital Association published a set of patients' rights which United Hospitals Medical Center endorses and supports. They include:

1. The right to considerate and respectful care.
2. The right to obtain from your doctor current information regarding your diagnosis, treatment and prognosis. If your doctor feels it is medically advisable, this information can be given to your significant other on your behalf. You have the right to know by name the physician who is responsible for coordinating your care.
3. The right to receive from the doctor information necessary for you to give consent prior to the start of any treatment or procedure — except in an emergency situation. You also have the right to be informed of treatment alternatives.
4. You have the right to refuse treatment and to be informed of the medical consequences of your decision.
5. The right to privacy concerning your medical care program. Your case, consultations, examinations and treatment are confidential.
6. The right to expect that all communications and records pertaining to your care should be treated as confidential.
7. You have the right, if you require hospitalization, to expect the hospital to make every reasonable response to your request for services. You may be transferred to another facility after you receive information regarding the need and what other alternative may be available. Before you are transferred, the facility to which you would go must accept you.
8. The right to obtain information

regarding the relationship of the hospital to other health care institutions in matters of which your care is concerned.

9. The right to be advised if the hospital wants to perform human experimentation affecting your care or treatment. You have the right to refuse to participate in research projects.

10. The right to expect reasonable continuity of care. You should know your follow-up appointment times and you can expect that the doctor who cares for you in the hospital will inform others of your health care requirements after discharge.

11. The right to examine your bill and receive an explanation of it regardless of your payment source.

12. Finally, you have the right to know what rules and regulations apply to your conduct as a patient. These rules may include smoking, language and consideration of fellow patients and staff members.

As we enjoy "rights" we must also accept responsibilities regarding our health care. These responsibilities include:

- appointments — keeping them, being on time, notifying your provider to reschedule as necessary
- keeping your health professional informed of any change in your special problem
- taking your own medicine as prescribed by your doctor
- letting your provider know of any change in your address, phone number or emergency phone number. This way you can always be reached about your test results.

The enjoyment of good health is one of life's most precious gifts. Illness knows no boundaries of geography, race, sex, wealth or religion. The practice of good health habits can lead to prevention of some diseases. Through the mutual sharing of rights and responsibilities, you and your health care provider can work together as a team — your team.

Connie Ford  
Assistant Vice-President  
For Ambulatory Services

## The Battering Syndrome Defined

Occasionally women call our hot line number asking if the experience they have just endured means they are "battered" women. I shall describe what is considered the battering syndrome with the hope of assisting any woman who may not know what to look for.

There are three stages to the cycle. The first is that of escalating tension. The air seems to be filled with what feels like a bomb about to explode. This stage may or may not include any kind of physical abuse. It seems to the woman as though nothing she can do is right. The dinner is cooked incorrectly or the complaint might be that it is not hot enough. She continues to strive to please in an effort to deter anger or create a scene. Her efforts are apparently fruitless.

Stage two is the violence in motion. There are many types of abuse. Our shelter lists the following:

- a) physical/firearms
- b) physical/knife

- c) physical/fists
- d) physical/other
- e) psychological/verbal
- f) psychological/other
- g) sexual
- h) other

It is common for the frequency and severity of the abuse to escalate with each episode. Though it may begin with a "harmless" slap or shove it may lead to severe injuries, and perhaps even death.

The final stage is sometimes nicknamed the "honeymoon stage." It is at this time that the batterer may say he is very sorry for what has happened. Men say they love their wives and "don't-know-what-came-over-them." They promise never to do it again and ask to be forgiven.

Unfortunately, unless this pattern is intercepted and serious counselling sought there can be no improvement. A woman may be considered battered if she has gone through this cycle twice or more with the same person.

## ARTHRITIS OF THE FOOT

*Arthritis, one of the oldest diseases of man, is today one of our most common conditions.*

### What Is Arthritis?

Arthritis is a condition where inflammation of a joint is the main factor. This means simply that changes have taken place between and around two or more bones that meet.

### The Cause of Arthritis

Due to the many types of joint conditions the causes vary. In the foot, one of the most common causes is injury, both from sudden and from small, repeated abuses. Other causes are infection, mechanical strain, climate, circulatory diseases, nerve pathology, nervous stress, allergies and some things about which we know too little.

### Rheumatoid Arthritis

In the severe form this can be the crippling and deforming type of joint disease, the cause of which is not completely known. In the foot painful pressure areas are a constant problem to the patient. Your podiatrist is qualified to aid in maintaining the best possible pain-free walking surface.

### Osteoarthritis

Nowhere in the body is there as much "wear and tear" (osteoarthritis) as is seen in the joints of the feet. The flat walking surfaces of modern civilization cause constant and repeated stress to the same joints. This constant, repeated, minute injury to the numerous small joints of each foot often takes its toll. Many foot aches and pains are due to these arthritic changes. To insure a proper diagnosis the podiatrist often requires x-ray studies and laboratory tests. The modern foot specialist has many excellent methods of treatment to aid in controlling the discomfort of this painful ailment.

### Foot Imbalance and Arthritis

Stress and strain (mechanical factors) will change foot function and alter the joints. "My feet are killing

me" symptoms usually fall into this class. Painful feet caused by weather changes is another common complaint of this general type of foot disorder. Corns, and especially calluses, are quite often due to foot imbalance associated with arthritis. Other symptoms may include swollen ankles, leg cramps, painful knees and low back pain. The key to this foot problem is complete foot examination, proper diagnosis and good doctor-patient understanding of the condition. Complete foot rehabilitation by the podiatrist often affords welcome relief.

Dr. Kenneth  
Frank

Podiatrist



### Other Foot Arthritides

Red, warm, swollen joints may be due to infection. This is quite common in the smaller joints of the toes. These same joint symptoms may also be due to gout—a general body condition which requires laboratory tests for diagnosis and treatment.

Of a more obscure nature are those joint pains due to emotional upsets. The foot is a logical and convenient place to complain about when we can no longer "stand things." Treatment is obviously difficult.

The use of antibiotics, especially penicillin, sometimes causes allergic joint symptoms in the foot. This foot sensitivity may not appear until several weeks or months later.

*The complete answer to arthritis is still in the future. The relief of most arthritic foot pains can be found in the office of your family foot doctor. He may not be able to cure you but he can certainly keep you comfortable.*

## Workshops Scheduled In September And October

The Institute Against Social Violence will be conducting four seminars on Family Violence topics in the Fall.

Scheduled are:

September 13th—Perspectives on Family and Alcohol

September 14th—The Adolescent Sex Offender

October 3rd—Hidden Victims of Violence

October 4th—Family Violence, Stress and Chemical Dependency

The sessions will run all day at New Community Associates.

Workshop directors Lynn Reynolds, Ph.D. and Gerald Shattuck, Ph.D. are well qualified. Dr. Reynolds worked for the New York

State Division for Youth for ten years and teaches in Fordham University's Probation and Parole Studies Program as well as presenting training workshops on a national basis to criminal justice professionals. Dr. Shattuck was Director of the Institute for Social Research at Fordham University and is currently Chairman of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology. He has worked with community based programs for several years and has done extensive research in the area of criminal justice.

For information on the workshops call Dr. Shattuck at Fordham - (212) 579-2202.

No amount of forgiveness or promises can correct the ventilation of anger or frustration through violence. This abuse syndrome can be corrected, however, with psychological help and the creation of a new and healthier approach to built-up negative

feelings.

If you know anyone in a situation like this, please give them our number. Our hot line is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. (484-4446)

Sister Clare Elton



## Babyland Supervisor Makes National Dean's List

When asked about her nomination for the National Dean's List, Antonia Cruz, Supervisor at Babyland III, told me modestly that "it's no big thing." It was only after reading in the letter accompanying the nomination that only one-half of one percent of our nation's college students receive this award, that she began to be quite pleased.

The National Dean's List is actually published to allow colleges and Universities to bestow a special honorary award on their most outstanding students. Antonia is one of thirty-six students from a student body of approximately 6,000 at Essex County College, so nominated.

These students must be selected by their college dean for the award.

### Hats Off For NCC Security

On July 5th at approximately 6:30 p.m., a woman tenant at NC Douglass-Harrison Apartments was stricken with a heart attack. The NC Security Officers under the leadership of Sgt. W. Cameron went into action, applying CPR to the tenant.

The woman was given mouth to mouth resuscitation by S/O Earl Flora, while S/O Timothy Ross covered the patient with his shirt to keep her warm, and at the same time helped to massage her heart. The patient was revived before the ambulance arrived at the scene. Other S/O's, Squad Leader Marshall Gerald and Leroy Cooke, monitored their radio units, giving messages via dispatcher Darlene Smith to the Emergency Medical Services on the progress and location of the heart attack victim.

The above Security Officers are to be commended for a life saved and a job well done.

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Antonia's recommendation came from Kara R. Smith, Dean of Student Affairs at Essex County College.

Nomination to the list allows those so honored to compete for \$25,000 in scholarship awards.

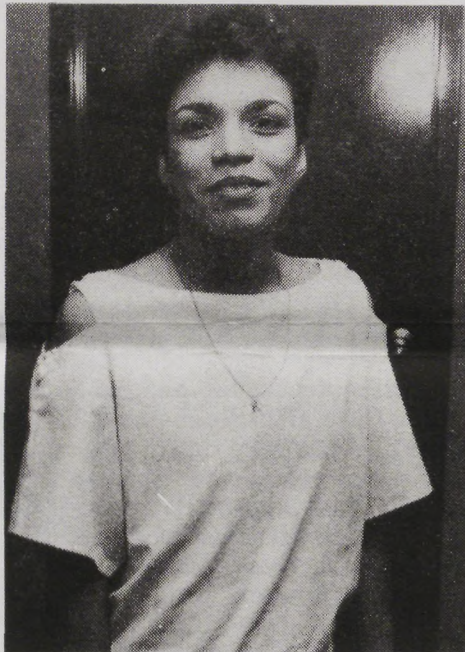
Antonia is an honor graduate of Glassboro State College where she received a B.A. in Psychology and Social Work and was certified in Early Childhood Education. She is also taking courses at Essex County College where she has received straight "A's."

She was born and raised in Newark but lived in Washington, D.C. for 5 years. She worked there as director in the Southwest Montessori School for three years.

Antonia has one son Saeed, who is four years old.

Ms. Cruz intends to continue her education in infant care while working in her supervising job at Babyland.

We are certainly proud of her accomplishment!



Antonia Cruz

## God Forgives

Many organic diseases and mental illnesses are readily diagnoseable; however, there is a widespread malady which does not readily lend itself to natural prognosis, and is not restricted by ethnicity, class, age, or creed. It is the 'guilt-complex.' People suffer from it to the extent that it psychosomatically affects not only their mental health but their physical health as well. Some resort to alcohol, drugs, and fantasy-escapism for relief to little or no avail. An act was committed later regretted, and conscience exacted severe punitive tribute, but not forgiveness. Possibly the most spoken words of futility are, "I'm sorry." These words are used daily by people of all walks of life; however, to be sorry is not enough. The perpetrator needs to be forgiven. Forgiveness is seldom given; society does not easily forgive. A dishonorable discharge is, more often than not, irreversible. Members of one's family sometimes do not readily forgive. Homes, marriages, romances, friendships have broken up and its members never came together again. There have been cases of sisters and brothers who stopped talking to each other for years; parents who disowned their sons and daughters never forgiving them. There was a man who had financial trouble and failed to pay his bills. He had bad credit, and no one would sell to him. His creditors didn't forgive him.

As was the custom at that time, a woman accused of adultery was taken outside the city gate to be stoned to death, when Jesus appeared, and confronting the mob, said, "let him who is without sin cast the first stone." The condemning crowd dropped its stones and gravely departed. Then Jesus told the woman to go in peace and sin no more. Thus, Jesus forgave the errant woman.

Moses, the lawgiver had his career begin with a murder, followed by forty years hiding from Justice. He was a man of fear and unbelief.

Jacob wrestled with the angel of the

Lord and prevailed. He was given a vision of heaven yet his life was filled with glaring failures. As a youth Jacob deceived his blind father to steal his brother's inheritance. Married, he despised his wife Leah while he nursed a great secret love for her sister Rachel. He did not accept his responsibility as a husband. Here was a man caught in a web of trickery, graft, theft, unfaithfulness, and polygamy.

King David lusted after Bathsheba but could not have her to become one of his wives as long as Uriah, her husband lived, so he had Uriah placed in the middle of the battle against the Ammonites where the fighting was the hottest so that Uriah would be killed. After Uriah was killed, King David took Bathsheba and a child was born to them.

God called David a man after His own heart. (1 Samuel 13:14). He forgave the murderer Moses, and the schemer Jacob too, because these men learned how to profit from their failures and go on to victory.

When no one else will forgive us, it is comforting to know that God will forgive us. In return it is incumbent upon us to forgive others. The question was asked in Matthew 18:21 where, "Peter said, Lord how oft shall I forgive...? till seven times?" And in Matthew 18:22 Jesus answered, "...seventy times seven." In other words, we are to forgive others unceasingly. Matthew 6:14,15 "...if you forgive others...your Heavenly Father will forgive you."

Two thieves hung at the sides of Jesus: one blasphemed Him, but the other prayed, "Lord, remember me when YOU come into YOUR kingdom. Jesus answered his prayer, "...today you will be with ME in Paradise," thus forgiving the 'repentant thief.' Jesus even prayed for and forgave HIS crucifiers, "FATHER, forgive them for they know not what they do."

Lewis Graves  
Springfield Branch  
Newark Public Library

## Sparkling New Van Joins Babyland Fleet

Youngsters of all ages love new things, so when the gleaming new Babyland Nursery van pulled up outside the door of Babyland I, the little ones greeted it with wide excited eyes. Melvin Boatwright proudly took them aboard and curious hands poked and patted the shiny new seats before scurrying in to try them on for size. Seats and the interior of the bus contained thick protective padding to provide the utmost in safety for its precious cargo.

Blinking safety lights outside the bus alerted other drivers to the presence of little children in this vehicle, and soft high backed seats surrounded them cozily.

After a thorough examination met with approving happy smiles. The children were promised a ride real- soon in their "very own" new bus.

From the looks on their faces it can't be soon enough!



Melvin Boatwright and Nellie Litte show preschoolers new bus.